Angleton on Agee Ouster

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LONDON—Former CIA counterintelligence chief James Angleton indicated in a British television interview that the CIA might have played a role in the expulsion by Britain of CIA critic Philip Agee.

In the interview, broadcast yesterday but filmed two weeks before Britain expelled Agee as a security threat, Angleton had said that "we are somewhat displeased" that Britain had given Agee "safe haven." The British government has denied that there was any U.S. pressure.

Angleton resigned from the CIA in December 1974, two years after Agee came to Britain, and observers here believe it certain that the CIA "displeasure" was relayed to London, Washington Post correspondent Bernard Nossiter reported.